

## **M E M O R A N D U M**

TO: Parents of Students enrolled in \_\_\_\_\_ Health Sciences Program

FROM: \_\_\_\_\_, Health Sciences Instructor

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

RE: Health Sciences Program Authorization and Consent Request

Congratulations! Your child is interested in the healthcare field. Healthcare personnel have the opportunity to touch a person's life at a time when he/she needs help. They work closely with patients, providing compassionate hands-on care and emotional support. Because of the significance of good healthcare, regulatory agencies are in place to monitor facilities and staff. The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services is responsible for assuring the safety, health, welfare, and rights of persons residing in healthcare facilities.

To comply with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services Statutes and the Code of Federal Regulations, and to meet the needs of local healthcare facility policies, all Health Sciences students participating in patient care in any health care setting must submit his/her name and Social Security Number for verification that the student's name is not on the Employee Disqualification List or Registry for the Federal Marker. Consent to a State Criminal Background Check is also a necessary requirement. Each local healthcare facility where Health Sciences students provide patient care will be given the information received.

If a potential student is found on the Employee Disqualification List, found on the Registry for the Federal Marker, or has been convicted of a criminal offense applicable to Section 660.317 (see attachment), the student will be unable to enroll in the Health Sciences Program.

Students will have a one-time registration fee of \$5.00. Each student will be required to submit a copy of his/her Social Security Card.

To learn more about the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services and/or the Family Care Safety Registry, please visit the following websites:

<http://www.dhss.state.mo.us/FCSR/FCSRaboutregistry.htm>

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Thank you for your support in our effort to maintain safety for all patients in any healthcare setting. I look forward to the year ahead.

Attachment